

2022 Slate of Nominees

Below is the slate of nominees of the PMI Manitoba Chapter Board of Directors for the March 2022 - March 2024 term. The Nominations Committee has reviewed the nominees and declared them eligible and willing to stand for election.

On the following pages you will find biographies for those positions open for election to help with your voting.

2022 – 2024 Board Positions for Election	
Position	Name
Vice President, Operations	Awarded by Acclamation
Director of Finance	Awarded by Acclamation
Three (3) Director at Large positions	

Carlo Cecilio

Qualifications:

Carlo is an experienced entrepreneur who has managed several businesses in the Philippines. Together with his wife, Heidi, they established Studio XOXO Photography in 2014. It specializes in weddings, family and baby portraits, and commercial photography. He has always been an advocate of marketing's crucial role in an organization's growth.

He moved to Winnipeg last February 2021 to study for his post graduate diploma in marketing management at the University of Winnipeg PACE. His plan is to turn his business into a marketing and photo-video production agency that will help SME companies become competitive and profitable through digital marketing.

Vision:

His vision for his contribution to PMI Manitoba and to the Board the marketing director will be to increase new members and member participation through consistent and creative marketing campaigns that will inspire and educate them. Furthermore, effectively promote PMI certifications and existing programs.

In addition, develop and initiate programs that will support PMI 4.0. objectives, such as expanding its stakeholder universe of changemakers by reaching out to not just only project professionals but the youth, students, and entrepreneurs to name a few.

Experience:

In his past business projects, Carlo's role were sales and marketing associate, managing director, and marketing director. He currently serves in PMI Manitoba's marketing portfolio as a volunteer. Lead by Charity Lepage, their team has developed the current strategic marketing plan for PMI Manitoba.

Education/Certifications:

- BA Entrepreneurial Management at the University of Asia and the Pacific, Manila, Philippines
- Candidate, Post Graduate Diploma in Marketing Management at the University of Winnipeg PACE
- Candidate, University of Winnipeg PACE Management Certificate
- Candidate, University of Winnipeg PACE Digital and Social Media Marketing Certificate
- Google Certification in Fundamentals of Digital Marketing

Raphael Cerezo, PMP

Qualifications:

Raphael is a Professional minded Project Director with 25 plus years of extensive experience in managing large commercial and institutional projects from the pursuit phase till turn over and commissioning. Very familiar with construction procurement models such as Design-Build, Progressive Design-Build, Construction Management, Integrated Project Delivery, Best Value, etc.

Vision:

Raphael is a highly motivated professional that is always willing to increase his knowledge and skills and his contribution to PMI Manitoba and the Board will be to provide leadership in the development of training opportunities, responsible for optimization of educational resources, education and professional development provided by PMI Manitoba.

Experience:

Raphael is the actual Preconstruction Project Director of one of the most reputable construction companies in the province of Manitoba. Raphael is actively involved in the Operations Management of the company providing leadership in the pursuit of new projects and clients, has strong organizational and leadership skills supported by an ability to motivate team members to work effectively, build trust with stakeholders, exceptional interpersonal and client management skills, and ability to gain Client's trust in the first interaction. As a Manager can easily coordinate a wide variety of projects protecting the company's interest, while improving the relationships with all the stakeholders and not only meeting but exceeding expectations.

Education/Certifications:

- Project Governance, University of Manitoba, Asper School of Business
- The Leader's Guide to Emotional Intelligence, University of Manitoba, Asper School of Business
- Lean Six Sigma Green Belt Professional, Six Sigma Global Institute
- Change Management Professional, Acuity Institute, School of Business Leadership
- National Construction Safety Officer NCSO, Saskatchewan Construction Safety Association
- Fundamentals of Earned Value Management, Project Management Institute (PMI)
- Risk Management Fundamentals, Project Management Institute (PMI)
- Project Management Professional, PMP, Project Management Institute (PMI)
- Strategies for Project Selection, Project Management Institute (PMI)
- Construction Management (Honours), Stratford Career Institute, Canada
- Internal Auditor in Environmental Management Systems ISO 9001, SGS TECNOS S.A., Spain
- Internal Auditor in Quality Management Systems ISO 14001, SGS TECNOS S.A., Spain
- Master in Business Administration (Honours), Cordoba University, Spain
- Bachelor Degree in Engineer, Cordoba University, Spain

Suzy Gilbert, PMP

Qualifications:

Suzy is an experienced communications and project management professional with 4+ years working in information technology, non-profit communications, EdTech, and financial services. She is a creative problem-solver who loves to read, write, and learn. Suzy enjoys continually mastering her craft in project management, leadership, and business.

Vision:

Suzy's vision for her contribution to PMI Manitoba and the Board will be to generate excitement, interest, and engagement between PMI Manitoba and its members. Suzy wishes to establish strategic and productive initiatives and relationships within the organization and the community. She hopes to use the privilege of this role to empower and mentor members in their project management careers.

Experience:

Suzy has 10+ years of experience working in the service industry which has given her the skills to grow her consulting career as a project manager consultant at Norima Consulting. She has 4+ years of experience working in graphic design, public relations, digital marketing, UX/UI design, and project/program management. Since working at Norima, Suzy has experienced roles such as Product Owner, Scrum Master, Business Analyst, and Quality Assurance Analyst. Suzy is a passionate public speaker who has spoken on a PMI MB panel, live television, and various stakeholder meetings with community members and executives alike.

Education/Certifications:

- University of Manitoba, Social Sciences, 2014
- Diploma, Creative Communications, Red River College, 2019
- Project Management Professional (PMP), 2020
- Certified Scrum Master (CSM), 2020
- Securities Industry Essentials (SIE) candidate, 2021

Karin Ross, PMP, PMI-ACP

Qualifications:

A results-driven professional with progressive experience managing diverse teams, providing responsive agile project management and operations leadership and technical expertise to projects as diverse as film VFX, brand identity, technology, and social media. Clients have included international film companies, private, government and global banking organizations. With a strong interest in people management and a passion for client/team relationship development adds components for continued success.

Vision:

To inspire and support the next generation of upcoming Project Managers, through strong mentorship allegiances, to continuously improve and inspire passion for Agile Project Management.

Experience:

Karin is currently Director of Operations at Imaginet, where she leads the PMO and manages daily Operations for the organization. She also a Senior Consulting Engagement Manager. She has taught Project Management with an IT Focus – to Cyber Defense and Cloud Administrators program at Manitoba Institute of Trades and Technology. Karin also volunteers as an ambassador to 'MB Women in Tech' Group.

Education/Certifications:

- Project Management Professional (PMP)
- Agile Certified Practitioner (PMI-ACP)

Hanif A. Young, PMP

Qualifications:

Hanif is an accomplished Information and Communications Technology Professional, Engineer and Project Manager, and Analyst with a demonstrated history of achievements in diverse industry settings. He is currently the Manager of the Communications Systems Branch for the City of Winnipeg, Manitoba, Canada.

Vision:

As the current Director of IT for PMI Manitoba, Hanif has achieved a number of key goals. These include migration of the pmi.org website, integration of online payment gateway on the website and improving security of the Board's Gmail accounts. Elected for a second term will see the development of a PMI MB (iOS and Android) application different than any currently existing. This will catalyze growth in the membership base of PMI Manitoba. By continuing to adopt and leverage current and future technology through IT, Hanif will ensure full engagement of all PMI Manitoba members and help the Board to deliver value to its members. The COVID pandemic has seen technology being an integral part of chapter meetings, conferences and presentations, as well as digital promotions of the organization, including PMI 4.0. This will enable a global reach of PMI Manitoba, attracting much needed skillset from all over the world to drive economic growth and development in Manitoba.

Experience:

Hanif's career spans over 22 years working in the ICT and Telecommunications industry for national and multinational companies. It includes roles such as Web Administrator, Computer Systems Engineer, IT Manager, Senior Network Engineer, ICT Consultant and Project Manager, Telecommunications Manager, Systems and Business Analyst, Communications Project Manager, and Senior Project Planner. Over the years, he has successfully delivered several IT Projects for a number of companies, made successful through effective team leadership, communication and collaboration skills. Hanif's strong technical and analytical skills have given him considerable insight into the current technology landscape in Canada and globally. Our success as a global population will depend on the ability to use technology in a way that gives value to everyone. Working through a pandemic and a number of global changes, Hanif amassed invaluable technical and leadership skills that will add more value to his role as Director of IT with PMI Manitoba. He is excited by what lies ahead and considers himself a 'full package' having an excellent combination of technical and business skills needed to sustain organizational growth.

Education/Certifications:

- Project Management Professional (PMP) obtained in March 2015.
- Candidate for PMI-ACP in 2022
- Candidate for Manitoba P.Eng in 2023
- Masters in Computer-Based Management Information Systems.
- Bachelors in Electronics and Mathematics.
- Avaya Certified Design and Network Specialist
- Xtreme Networks Certified Engineer
- Fortinet Certified Network Security Expert